

## **REMARKS**

Claims 2, 3, 13, 19, 22, 28, and 39-42 are canceled. Claims 1, 4-12, 14-18, 20, 21, 23-27, and 29-38 are pending.

The terminal disclaimer filed on November 9, 2006 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of U.S. 7,033,681; U.S. 10/768,327; U.S. 6,661,023; and U.S. 10/889,654 has been reviewed and is accepted.

Claims 1, 4, 7-9, 12, 14-18, and 29-38 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hoag et al. (EP1340798). Hoag et al. discloses organic electroluminescent devices comprising compounds based on bis(azinyl)amine ligands with substituent groups. See par. 16. According to the Examiner, the presently claimed device contains compounds that are within Formula (1) of the reference.

The enclosed Declaration by inventor Jarikov serves to overcome this rejection. It is noted that alkylamine substituent groups are within the scope of the reference as much as the triarylamine substituent groups. Yet, as the Declaration demonstrates, the device lifetime using triarylamine-bearing compounds of the present invention is far superior to the use of the alkylamine-bearing compounds. Stability or lifetime is stated to be an important property at page 3/line 5 of the specification.

Claims 1, 4, 5, 7-12, 14-18, 20, 21, 23-27, and 29-38 stand rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 7,147,938; copending Serial No. 10/801,288 copending Serial No. 10/838,665. U.S. Patent No. 7,023,013; U.S. Patent No. 7,074,503; U.S. Patent No. 7,070,868; and copending Application No. 10/990,865. The enclosed executed Terminal Disclaimer is sufficient to overcome this rejection.

In view of the foregoing arguments and submissions, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection and to pass the subject application to Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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Encl: Terminal Disclaimer; Declaration of Viktor Jarikov